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#### DETAILED ACTION

1. The Art Unit location of your application in the USPTO has changed. To aid in correlating any papers for this application, all further correspondence regarding this application should be directed to Art Unit 1732, Examiner Leo Tentoni.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- (e) the invention was described in (1) an a pplication for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- Claims 1-11, 14, 15, 18 and 19 are rejected under 35
   U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yu (U.S. Patent 5,240,532).

Yu (see the entire document, in particular, the abstract; col. 1, lines 6-8; col. 3, lines 21-34; col. 9, line 36 to col. 12, line 49) teaches a process of treating a flexible multi-layer member (e.g., an imaging member) exhibiting a glass transition temperature by the steps set forth in the instant claims, including heating in a heating region encompassing any part or all of the contact zone outside the cooling region and a portion of the pre-contact member path adjacent the contact zone.

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4. Claims 1-15 and 17-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Yu et al (U.S. Patent 6,165,670)

The applied reference has a common inventor and assignee with the instant application. Based upon the earlier effective U.S. filing date of the reference, it constitutes prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). This rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) might be overcome either by a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventor of this application and is thus not the invention "by another," or by an appropriate showing under 37 CFR 1.131.

Yu et al (see the entire document, in particular, col. 18, line 8 to col. 20, line 22; Figure 5) teach a process of treating a flexible multi-layer member (e.g., an imaging member) exhibiting a glass transition temperature by the steps set forth in the instant claims, including heating in a heating region encompassing any part or all of the contact zone outside the cooling region and a portion of the pre-contact member path adjacent the contact zone.

### Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 16 and 20 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Leo B. Tentoni whose telephone number is (571) 272-1209. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday (6:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael P. Colaianni can be reached on (571) 272-1196. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

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